



Explanation for 2007 Pipeline Budget for Libby Asbestos Mine
Operable Unit 3

Note: Negotiations with W.R. Grace are occurring to develop an AOC for RI/FS work to be conducted. Issues with bankruptcy limit Grace from conducting work that is not on their property. All ecological risk for the Site, including Rainy Creek and Kootenai River, will be conducted under OU3.

1. Expand ambient air program to include mine
 - a. Revise existing ambient air SAP to incorporate DQOs specifically for the mine
 - b. Install new ambient air monitors and sample for one year
 - c. Include analytical costs (4th Qtr '07 - 4th Qtr '08)
 - d. Total estimate - \$300,000
2. RI work anticipated to be conducted through December 2007 (1st Qtr '08)
 - a. Literature search to support eco-risk assessment and data use-ability review of existing data compiled from W.R. Grace, State, Forest Service, and EPA sources (3rd Qtr '07)
 - b. Development of preliminary Conceptual Site Model (CSM) for human health and ecological receptors (4th Qtr '07)
 - c. Development of sampling and analysis plan for screening-level sampling to refine CSMs (4th Qtr '07)
 - d. Oversight of SAP implementation by PRP (4th Qtr '07)
 - e. Development of draft RI work plan
 - f. Total estimate - \$310,000

Estimate Summary

1. Ambient Air - \$300,000
2. Initiation of OU3 RI - \$310,000

Total 2007 request for OU3 - **\$610,000**

Note - Request of \$610,000 needed starting in 3rd quarter 2007

This is estimated to cover our needs through 1st quarter 2008.

Anticipate request for 2008 to be more extensive and focus on RI development.